



Ashley Junior School

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9th September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Year Four!

We hope your child will have a successful and productive year with us in Year Four. We would like to share some information that you might find useful as your child settles into their new class. Parent consultations have been arranged for **Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th September**. Time slots will be available between 3:40pm – 6:00pm. Appointments can be made via your child's online account www.scopay.com/login from Monday 9th September or via the school office. We hope that the following information will enable you to provide support and encouragement for your child.

English

Throughout the year, your child will experience a range of writing opportunities including non-fiction writing, writing stories and a chance to explore and perform poems.

Mathematics

The main topics included this year are; place value, addition, subtraction, division and multiplication, shape and measurement. The learning in class will also be supported by the weekly 'Mathletics' homework which will be set. You will be able to support your child through the use of Mathletics.

PE and Games

PE will take place on Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate kit and it is recommended that children leave their kits at school during the week to make sure they are prepared for these lessons.

Homework

Reading: Children are expected to read daily for at least 5 minutes and to record their thoughts and feelings in response to what they have read in their Reading Journal. When your child has read at least four times in a week they will be entered into the Reading Raffle giving a chance to win a book!

Spelling: Spelling homework will be set every Friday based on words the children have been practising at school. They will be tested on the following Friday.

'Mathletics': A Mathletics task will be set regularly based on the weeks learning in Maths. Should there be no task set, it is recommended that children practice their times tables knowledge or use the 'Mathletics' website which provides many revision opportunities.

Half-termly homework task: Each half term, a project will be set based upon the topic being covered. The children will have 4 weeks to complete the task and then they will present their project to the class.

Art shirts:

The children will be doing lots of art this year. To protect expensive school uniform please provide your child with an old shirt that doesn't matter if it gets dirty and covers their uniform. Please name it and send it in a labelled bag by next week.

Water bottles:

We encourage the children to bring a named water bottle to school, please ensure that these are not filled with squash or fizzy drinks, as only water is permitted.

Volunteer Helpers

Your support can make a huge difference to the opportunities we can offer the children. If you would be interested in helping (occasionally or on a more regular basis) we would be very grateful. Please contact the school office for further information.

Yours faithfully,

Year 4 Team